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Examiner's Amendment

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Claims 6-11 have been cancelled for being drawn to a non-elected invention and/or species.

Claim 1, line 6, "first secondary electrode" has been changed to "plurality of secondary electrodes".

Claim 1, line 7, "a" has been changed to "the".

Claim 1, line 7, "second" has been deleted.

Claim 1, line 10, "third" has been changed to "first".

Claim 1, line 11, "conducted" has been changed to "connected".

Claim 1, line 12, "support" has been changed to "supporting spacer".

In the specification, page 1, line 4, before "the disclosure", "now U.S. Patent No. 6,614,246," has been inserted.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Paul J. Skwierawski on July 18, 2005.

Reasons for Allowance

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: No reference was found anticipating or a combination of references found making obvious a probe structure including a second plate like member between a first plate like member having

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plate like member.

a test probe and a third plate like member for connecting an electrical signal to an outer portion wherein electrodes are formed on opposing sides of the second plate like member, the second plate like member and the first plate like member are electrically connected by an elastic conductive member and a supporting spacer member is provided for supporting a main surface of the second plate like member close to the first

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Examiner's Comments

Claims 1-5 are allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Ernest F. Karlsen at telephone number 571-272-1961.

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